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U.S. Patent No. 23133 to White was previously submitted as RE23133 and was not considered by the Examiner. The attached PTO-1449 now correctly lists the non-considered patent.

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U.S. Patent No. 3,409,988 to Zelnick was cited in the November 7, 2002 Search Report for corresponding international application Serial No. PCT/US02/26616. Thus, this patent is being cited within three months of the mailing date of the Search Report.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 are earnestly solicited.

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